

# NEW JERSEY TURNPIKE AUTHORITY

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# January 25, 2013

## **INQUIRY #2**

# FOR PUBLIC BID RM-96000 SOLAR POWER PURCHASE AGREEMENT

# BID OPENING DATE: JANUARY 30, 2013 AT 11:00 AM

The Authority has received the following questions regarding the above bid, responses are as follows:

QUESTION # 1

Has the Design Professional received the following approvals, (a) NJDCA and (b) Local AHJ accepting permitting/plan review responsibility?

#### **ANSWER #1**

(a) Refer to Section 2.6 (Page 14) and Appendix F of the RFB (Page 82). (b) Refer to Section 2.7 (Page 14) in the RFB.

**QUESTION #2** 

Does the project require Local Planning Board approval?

**ANSWER #2** 

Local Planning Board approval is not typically required on NJTA contracts.

QUESTION # 3

Does the project require Local Zoning Board approval, 55 day courtesy review?

ANSWER # 3

Local Zoning Board approval is not typically required on NJTA contracts.

Does the project require a Zoning permit?

## ANSWER # 4

Zoning Permits from the local municipality are not typically required on NJTA contracts.

**QUESTION #5** 

Has the project received a prior approval from the County Soil Conservation District?

#### ANSWER # 5

Yes

QUESTION # 6

Does the project require NJ CAFRA approval-NJDEP?

#### **ANSWER #6**

NJ CAFRA approval requirement is not anticipated. The bidder to make the final determination.

OUESTION #7

Does the project require the EPC contractor to secure a local municipality builders registration card?

#### ANSWER #7

A local municipality Builders Registration Card is typically not required on NJTA contracts.

**QUESTION #8** 

Does the property have any existing deed restrictions?

#### **ANSWER #8**

The NJTA is not aware of any existing Deed restrictions.

Are there any existing easements which will hinder the placement and size of the proposed Solar PV arrays?

#### ANSWER # 9

The NJTA is not aware of any existing easements which will hinder the placement and size of the proposed SOLAR PV arrays.

## **QUESTION # 10**

Is a Threated and Endangered Species study required of the project?

## ANSWER # 10

(a)Threatened and Endangered Species study requirement is not anticipated. Bidder to determine if a threatened and Endangered Species study is required.

## **QUESTION #11**

(a) Has a utility interconnect application been submitted? (b) Approval Secured? (c) Are there any Solar PV System Size restrictions?

#### ANSWER # 11

(a)There is no interconnect agreement is in place. (b) The Seller would be responsible party for this agreement since the seller will be the owner of the system. Refer to Section 2.8 (Page 15) of the RFB (c) The proposed size of the proposed solar system is believed to be in with the local utility requirements. Bidder to make final determination.

#### **OUESTION # 12**

(a) Are there any known sub surface hazardous conditions? (b) Has a PH 1 environmental study been performed?

#### **ANSWER # 12**

(a)The NJTA is not aware of any sub-surface hazardous conditions. (b) No formal environmental study has been performed.

(a) Are there existing as built drawings available? (b) GEOTECHNICAL reports, etc.?

#### **ANSWER # 13**

- (a) The project plans are believed to reflect the existing (as-built) conditions.
- (b) Refer to Appendix E (Page 81).

QUESTION # 14

Is this project "Buy American"?

## ANSWER # 14

There is no specific "Buy American" requirement.

QUESTION # 15

Are there any equipment specifications (i.e. modules, racking, wiring, etc.?

## ANSWER # 15

# Refer to Appendix E (Page 81)

**QUESTION #16** 

Can utility bills be provided for the last 12 months?

## **ANSWER # 16**

The latest available data at the time of the bid was included. Refer to Appendix B of the RFB (Page 32-33.)

QUESTION # 17

Can a single line be provided of the existing service?

# ANSWER # 17

Refer to sheets 26 through 28 of the project plans (See website address on Page 31.)

Are the location(s) subject to Historical District regulations?

ANSWER # 18

The NJTA is not aware of any applicable Historic District Regulations. Bidders shall be responsible for making final determination.

**OUESTION #19** 

The existing parking lot lighting, what to do with it and whose responsibility?

ANSWER # 19

Responsibility and removals in the area of the arrays are identified on the Demolition Plan, Sheet 13 of the project plans. Surrounding area lighting to remain.

Receipt of Addendum / Inquiry # 2 must be acknowledged in writing at / or prior to opening of bids. Failure to acknowledge receipt of Addendum may be considered as grounds for rejection of bid by the Authority, however, in the discretion of the Authority, submission of the signed bid may be treated as acknowledgement of receipt of this Addendum.

No Other Changes All Other Data Remains In Effect.

Very truly yours,

Andrea E. Ward, Director Purchasing Department